



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Application No.: 10/588,600

Examiner: CASAREGOLA, LOUIS J

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For

GAS TURBINE ENGINE PROVIDED WITH A FOREIGN MATTER

REMOVAL PASSAGE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2009, please amend the aboveidentified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are submitted beginning on page 2.

Remarks are submitted beginning on page 6.